REPORTED INCIDENCE OF TUBERCULOSIS

Objective

By 1990, the annual reported incidence of tuberculosis should be reduced to eight per 100,000 population.

Explanatory Notes

Due to a change in reporting criteria, data prior to 1975 are not shown.

Findings

The North Carolina tuberculosis rate continued to drop in the late 1980s, but rose slightly in 1990. Both N.C. and U.S. rates follow the same trend, despite N.C.'s higher rates for most years. Neither the state nor the nation achieved the goal, both ending at 10.3 cases per 100,000 population in 1990.

Related Year 2000 Objectives

- o Reduce tuberculosis to an incidence of no more than 3.5 cases per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce tuberculosis among Asians/Pacific Islanders to an incidence of no more than 15 cases per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce tuberculosis among blacks to an incidence of no more than ten cases per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce tuberculosis among Hispanics to an incidence of no more than five cases per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce tuberculosis among American Indians/Alaska Natives to an incidence of no more than five cases per 100,000 people.

Data Sources

North Carolina: Communicable Disease Section, Division of Epidemiology

United States: Centers for Disease Control